

Listing of Claims:

1. (previously presented) A holder for a cassette for storing semiconductor material substrates, the holder comprising:

a base plate; and

a guide member located over and supported by the base plate, the guide member having cassette-directed guides for aligning the cassette along substantially perpendicular axes over the base plate, each cassette-directed guide having a respective end portion protruding to secure a cassette with respect to the base plate upon introduction to the holder, wherein the respective end portion of each guide has a first side of the guide member which is facing away from the base plate and a second side of the guide member facing toward the base plate, the first and second sides tapered toward one another in a direction toward the protruding end portion so as to form the respective protruding end portion, and arranged at a predetermined distance from the cassette so as to accurately hold the cassette in alignment on the base plate within the predetermined distance of the guides from the cassette.

2. (previously presented) The holder as claimed in claim 1, wherein the second side facing the base plate is mirror symmetrical with respect to the first side facing away from the base plate.

3. (previously presented) The holder as claimed in claim 1, wherein, viewed in cross-section, the guides demonstrate a trapezoidal, inwardly directed profile.

4. (previously presented) The holder as claimed in claim 1, wherein the guide member includes at least three cassette-directed guides wherein two of the guides oppose each other from opposite ends of the guide member and the third is located along the length of the guide member.

5. (previously presented) The holder as claimed in claim 4, wherein the guide member is detachably secured to the base plate by means of bolts and nuts and wherein the base

plate is graduated at a location of two mutually perpendicular outer sides of the guide member.

6. (previously presented) The holder as claimed in claim 5, wherein the base plate, the bolts and the nuts are made of aluminum.

7. (previously presented) The holder as claimed in claim 1, further including a second guide member constructed and arranged opposite and identical to the first guide member to mirror the first guide member.

8. (previously presented) The holder as claimed in claim 1, wherein the guide member is made from a material having a low coefficient of friction.

9. (previously presented) A device for the manufacture of semiconductor products in semiconductor substrates, provided with the holder as claimed in claim 1.

10. (previously presented) A device including the holder as claimed in claim 1, wherein the device is provided with a detector, which signals that the cassette for the substrates is present in the holder.